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Newspapers as indicated.

NOTES POLITICAL FIGURES ARRESTED

FORMER DIPLOMATS ARRESTED -- Munich, Hungaria, 12 Jan 51

Reports from Hungary state that several political and diplomatic figures have been arrested, including: Endre Sik, former envoy to the US who has al-. ways been regarded as a dependable Communist; Gyorgy Boloni, former envoy to the Netherlands; Endre Havas, former adviser to the Hungarian legation to France; and Gyorgy Kaldor, former director of MTI (Hungarian Telegraphic Agency).

SZUCS CHARGED WITH BUYING DOLLARS -- New York, Riportok es Hirek Magyarorszagrol, 6 Jan 51

Lajos Szucs, secretary of DISZ (Association of Democratic Youths), the Hungarian equivalent of the Komsomol, was arrested in the act of buying blackmarket dollars in a restaurant. He was released the following day, however, on Rakosi's personal intervention.

NURSE WRITES STALIN, IS ARRESTED -- New York, Riportok es Hirek Magyarorszagrol, 6 Jan 51

Maria Kovacs, a nurse, appeared at postal station 62 to post a registered letter addressed to Generalissimo Stalin at Moscow. The letter was accepted routinely, but the same day she was taken by detectives to State Security Authority headquarters and has not been seen for several weeks. Her letter asked Stalin to release her elder brother, who has been held prisoner of war in the USSR for 5 years.

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RUSSIANS REPLACE 25 DEFENSE MINISTRY OFFICERS -- New York, Riportok es Hirek Magyarorszagrol, 13 Jan 51

During December, a total of 25 officers in key positions of the Ministry of Defense were arrested. Their places have been filled mostly by Russian officers, many of whom speak Hungarian well.

PRISONERS ESCAPE -- New York, Riportok es Hirek Magyarorszagrol, 13 Jan 51

Apparently only political prisoners are guarded carefully in Hungary. On 3 November, three prisoners escaped from the Budapest criminal court jail; on 4 November four prisoners escaped from the jail collection center, and three inmates fled the Pestvidek and Szekesfehervar jails.

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